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Title: **Magneto-Resistance Effect Element, Magneto-Resistance Effect Head, Magneto-Resistance Transducer System, and Magnetic Storage System**

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**Response to Restriction Requirement**  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed September 13, 2004, applicant elects Species VIIIa (Figures 58-64). Claims 15-26 are believed to be readable on the elected species.

Please proceed to examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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